

Enhancement of Critical Slowing Down in Chiral Phase Transition — Langevin Dynamics Approach —

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Abstract

We derive the linear Langevin equation that describes the behavior of the fluctuations of the order parameter of the chiral phase transition above the critical temperature by applying the projection operator method to the Nambu-Jona-Lasinio model at finite temperature and density. The Langevin equation relaxes exhibiting oscillation, reveals thermalization and converges to the equilibrium state consistent with the mean-field approximation as time goes on. With the help of this Langevin equation, we further investigate the relaxation of the critical fluctuations. The relaxation time of the critical fluctuations increases at speed as the temperature approaches toward the critical temperature because of the critical slowing down. The critical slowing down is enhanced as the chemical potential increases because of the Pauli blocking. Furthermore, we find another enhancement of the critical slowing down around the tricritical point.

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1 Introduction

It is widely believed that hadronic matters undergo a phase transition at high temperature, and hence become the quark-gluon plasma (QGP), where quarks and gluons are deconfined and chiral symmetry broken in the hadron phase is restored. Relativistic heavy-ion collisions provide significant opportunities to

explore the QGP. Heavy-ion collisions are essentially nonequilibrium processes and hence the description of the time evolution is necessary to understand the phenomena in a comprehensive way. Then, the hydrodynamic model is a powerful tool, and fairly correctly describes the experimental data of heavy-ion collisions, for example, transverse momentum dependence of the elliptic flow coefficient v_2 [1,2,3].

Recently, our attention has been focused on dynamics near the critical points of the chiral phase transition [4,5,6,7,8,9,10,11,12,13,14,15,16,17,18]. Unfortunately, the hydrodynamic model (in particular, the so-called ideal fluid) will be inadequate to describe nonequilibrium phenomena near the critical point. Because it is valid only in the case where we are interested in gross variables associated with macroscopic time and length scales (entropy density, energy density, etc) and they are widely separated from other variables associated with microscopic scales (degrees of freedom of each quark and gluon). To understand it, we should remember the dynamical hierarchy of classical dilute gas that is shown in TABLE 1 [19,20,21]. The classical gas consists of a lot of classical particles and the dynamics is described by the Liouville equation. Then, the typical length and time scales are given by r_0 and r_0/v_{th} , respectively, where r_0 is the interaction length and v_{th} is the thermal averaged velocity. However, when we are interested in slow motions associated with the scales of the mean free path L and L/v_{th} , the Liouville equation is reduced to the kinetic equation like the Boltzmann equation. Furthermore, when we observe quantities associated with further slower scales of the wave length and frequency of sound L_{macro} and T_{macro} , the Boltzmann equation is reduced to the hydrodynamic equation. Thus, in order to apply the hydrodynamic model, the microscopic scale must be smaller than the macroscopic scale, $\epsilon = r_0/L_{macro} \ll 1$. As a matter of fact, we assume the local equilibrium in the hydrodynamic equation and the deviation from the local equilibrium can be characterised by ϵ . For example, the number density $\langle n(\mathbf{x}, t) \rangle_{ini}$ is approximated as

$$\langle n(\mathbf{x}, t) \rangle_{ini} = \langle n(\mathbf{x}) \rangle_{local} + O(\epsilon),$$

where $\langle \rangle_{ini}$ means an expectation value by an initial state and $\langle \rangle_{local}$ denotes that by a local equilibrium state. When we completely ignore the deviation from the local equilibrium, we obtain the ideal fluid. When we take into account the deviation from the local equilibrium, we obtain the dissipation term and the Euler equation is replaced by the Navier-Stokes equation [22].

Now, we return to the discussion of the critical dynamics. In the following, we assume that there exists a similar dynamical hierarchy even in quantum field theory because of the success of the hydrodynamic model in relativistic heavy ion collisions, although we do not have clear evidence so far [23]. On the other hand, to apply the hydrodynamic model for describing the critical dynamics, there must exist the clear separation between the microscopic scale

Region	Equation	length scale	time scale
microscopic	Liouville	r_0	r_0/v_{th}
mesoscopic	Boltzmann	L	L/v_{th}
macroscopic	Hydrodynamic	L_{macro}	T_{macro}

Table 1

The dynamical hierarchy of classical dilute gas. r_0 is the interaction length, v_{th} is the averaged thermal velocity and L is the mean free path. L_{macro} and T_{macro} mean macroscopic scales like wave length and frequency of sound.

and the macroscopic scale, as is discussed above. However, near the critical points, the microscopic correlation length indefinitely increases and hence the expansion parameter ϵ is not small any more. Therefore, we cannot apply the hydrodynamic model to describe the critical dynamics. On the other hand, it is probable that we still do not need the full details of the Heisenberg equation of motion because of the universality of phase transition. Then, from an analogy to gas dynamics, the critical dynamics can be regarded as a sort of mesoscopic scale dynamics and will be described by a kinetic equation. As a matter of fact, it is known that the critical dynamics in condensed matter physics is described by the Langevin equation. This theory is called the mode coupling theory [19,20,21,24,25].

One of the aims of this paper is to derive a linear Langevin equation for describing the dynamics of the critical fluctuations above the critical temperature of the chiral phase transition. There are two typical methods to derive the Langevin equation from a microscopic point of view [26]. One is the variational method that is applied to a sort of an effective action [27,28,29,30,31,32,33,34]. Then, the noise is introduced as an auxiliary field. However, as is discussed in [35], there is arbitrariness for the introduction of the noise in this approach.

In this paper, we use the projection operator method. This method was proposed by Nakajima [36], Zwanzig [37] and Mori [38], and developed from various points of view [35,39,40,41,42,43,44,45,46,47,48,49,50,51,52,53,54]. In the following, we will discuss based on the formulation evolved by Shibata, Hashitsume, Uchiyama and the authors [44]. The derivation of the Langevin equation at vanishing chemical potential was discussed in [46]. In this paper, we extend the result to derive the Langevin equation at finite temperature and density. We show that our Langevin equation reveals thermalization and converges to the equilibrium state consistent with the mean-field approximation as time goes on.

The other aim is to investigate the critical slowing down in the chiral phase transition [55]. As is well-known, the long wave length component of the order parameter shows extraordinary large fluctuations near the critical point and the increase of the relaxation time. This slowing down of the relaxation of

the critical fluctuations is known as the critical slowing down. We define the relaxation time of the critical fluctuations and investigate the temperature and chemical potential dependences. Then, we find the enhancement of the critical slowing down in the low temperature and large chemical potential region and around the tricritical point.

This paper is organized as follows: In Sec. 2, we review the projection operator method following [44]. In Sec. 3, we introduce the Mori projection operator. In Sec. 4, we apply the projection operator method to the Nambu-Jona-Lasinio (NJL) model [56,57]. The equation obtained in Sec. 4 is not yet the Langevin equation. To derive the Langevin equation, we employ the renormalization of the memory function in Sec. 5. In Sec. 6, we calculate the power spectrum and discuss that our Langevin equation is consistent with the well-known results in equilibrium: the critical temperature, thermalization and the soft mode. In Sec. 7, we discuss the critical slowing down near the critical points by using the Langevin equation, and show that there exists the enhancement of the critical slowing down in low temperature and large chemical potential region and around the tricritical point. Concluding remarks are given in Sec. 8.

2 Projection operator method

In this section, we review the projection operator method. There are two different approaches to derive coarse-grained equations in the projection operator method. When we apply this method in the Heisenberg picture, we can derive the Langevin equation. On the other hand, the master equation is derived in the Schrödinger picture [42]. In this paper, we discuss in the Heisenberg picture, following [44]. In the quantum field theory, the time evolution of operators is governed by the Heisenberg equation of motion,

$$\frac{d}{dt}O(t) = i[H, O(t)] \quad (1)$$

$$= iLO(t) \quad (2)$$

$$\longrightarrow O(t) = e^{iL(t-t_0)}O(t_0), \quad (3)$$

where L is the Liouville operator and t_0 is an initial time at which we prepare an initial state. The Heisenberg equation contains the information not only of gross variables but also of microscopic variables. The latter is irrelevant information and we carry out coarse-grainings by introducing a projection operator P . The projection operator P and its complementary operator $Q = 1 - P$ have the following general properties:

$$P^2 = P, \quad (4)$$

$$PQ = QP = 0. \quad (5)$$

From Eq. (3), one can see that the time dependence of operators is determined by $e^{iL(t-t_0)}$. This operator obeys the differential equation,

$$\frac{d}{dt}e^{iL(t-t_0)} = e^{iL(t-t_0)}iL = e^{iL(t-t_0)}(P + Q)iL. \quad (6)$$

From this equation, we can derive the following two equations:

$$\frac{d}{dt}e^{iL(t-t_0)}P = e^{iL(t-t_0)}PiLP + e^{iL(t-t_0)}QiLP, \quad (7)$$

$$\frac{d}{dt}e^{iL(t-t_0)}Q = e^{iL(t-t_0)}PiLQ + e^{iL(t-t_0)}QiLQ. \quad (8)$$

Equation (8) can be solved for $e^{iL(t-t_0)}Q$,

$$e^{iL(t-t_0)}Q = Qe^{iLQ(t-t_0)} + \int_{t_0}^t d\tau e^{iL(\tau-t_0)}PiLQe^{iLQ(t-\tau)}. \quad (9)$$

Substituting Eq. (9) into Eq. (6) and operating $O(t_0)$ from the right, we obtain the time-convolution (TC) equation,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt}O(t) &= e^{iL(t-t_0)}PiLO(t_0) + \int_{t_0}^t d\tau e^{iL(t-\tau)}PiLQe^{iLQ(\tau-t_0)}iLO(t_0) \\ &\quad + Qe^{iLQ(t-t_0)}iLO(t_0). \end{aligned} \quad (10)$$

The first term on the r.h.s. of the equation is called the streaming term and corresponds to a collective oscillation such as plasma wave, spin wave and so on. The second term is the memory term that causes dissipation. The third term is the noise term. We can show that the memory term can be expressed as the time correlation of the noise. This relation is called the fluctuation-dissipation theorem of second kind (2nd F-D theorem). See Appendix A for details. The elimination of microscopic variables using the projection operator gives rise to the dissipation term and the noise term in the coarse-grained macroscopic equation.

The TC equation is still equivalent to the Heisenberg equation and we cannot solve it exactly in general. In order to approximate the memory term, we reexpress it as

$$\int_{t_0}^t d\tau e^{iL(t-\tau)} PiLQ\mathcal{D}(\tau, t_0) e^{iQL_0Q(\tau-t_0)} iLO(t_0), \quad (11)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{D}(t, t_0) = & 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} i^n \int_{t_0}^t dt_1 \int_{t_0}^{t_1} dt_2 \cdots \int_{t_0}^{t_{n-1}} dt_n \\ & \times Q\check{L}_I^Q(t_n - t_0) Q\check{L}_I^Q(t_{n-1} - t_0) \cdots Q\check{L}_I^Q(t_1 - t_0), \end{aligned} \quad (12)$$

and

$$\check{L}_I^Q(t - t_0) \equiv e^{iQL_0Q(t-t_0)} L_I e^{-iQL_0Q(t-t_0)}. \quad (13)$$

Here, we introduced L_0 and L_I , that are Liouville operators of the nonperturbative Hamiltonian H_0 and the interaction Hamiltonian H_I , respectively,

$$L_0 O = [H_0, O], \quad L_I O = [H_I, O]. \quad (14)$$

When we expand $\mathcal{D}(t, t_0)$ up to first order in terms of L_I , we have

$$\frac{d}{dt} O(t_0) = e^{iL(t-t_0)} PiLO(t_0) + \int_{t_0}^t d\tau e^{iL(t-\tau)} PiLQ e^{iQL_0Q(\tau-t_0)} iLO(t_0) + \xi(t). \quad (15)$$

The noise term $\xi(t)$ should be determined so as to satisfy the 2nd F-D theorem, as we will see later. Equation (15) is the starting point in the following calculation.

3 Introduction of the Mori projection

In the derivation of the TC equation, we have not fixed a projection operator. If we can solve the TC equation exactly, the final result does not depend on the projection operator because the TC equation is equivalent to the Heisenberg equation. However, normally, it is impossible to solve the TC equation exactly, and we must start from the approximated equation (15). Then, the choice of the projection operator is important. There are several possible projection operators that extract slowly varying parts from an operator. In this study,

we adopt the Mori projection operator. The Mori projection operator projects any operators onto the space spanned by gross variables. There are three candidates for gross variables: (i) order parameters, (ii) density variables of conserved quantities and (iii) their products. When we can find out a complete set of gross variables, the macroscopic time evolution will be approximated by the superposition of the gross variables, as is shown in Fig. 1, schematically. For this purpose, we introduce the Mori projection operator defined by

$$P O = \sum_i c_i A_i, \quad (16)$$

where A_i is the complete set of gross variables and the coefficient c_i is given by

$$c_i = \sum_j (O, A_j) \cdot (A, A)_{ji}^{-1}. \quad (17)$$

The inner product is the Kubo's canonical correlation,

$$(X, Y) = \int_0^\beta \frac{d\lambda}{\beta} \text{Tr}[\rho e^{\lambda H} X e^{-\lambda H} Y], \quad (18)$$

where $\rho = e^{-\beta H} / \text{Tr}[e^{-\beta H}]$ with the temperature β^{-1} . The inverse of the canonical correlation is defined by

$$\sum_j (A, A)_{ij}^{-1} \cdot (A_j, A_k) = \delta_{i,k}. \quad (19)$$

The physical meaning of the Mori projection operator is discussed in Appendix B in detail.

4 Linear Langevin equation in the Nambu-Jona-Lasinio model

We apply the projection operator method to the two-flavors and three-colors Nambu-Jona-Lasinio (NJL) model in the chiral limit and derive the linear Langevin equation for the critical fluctuations in the chiral phase transition at finite temperature and density. The behaviors of the critical fluctuations are different between above and below the critical temperature T_c . In this study, we limit our discussion to the case of $T > T_c$.

The NJL Hamiltonian at finite chemical potential is [56,57]

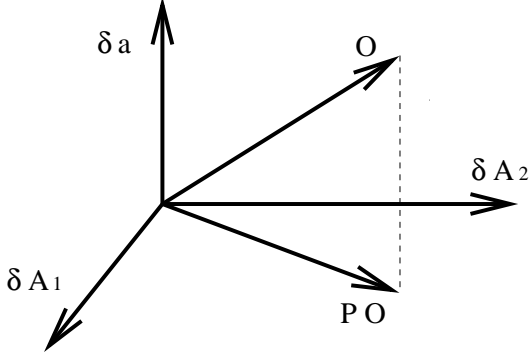


Fig. 1. The schematic figure of the Mori projection operator. An arbitrary operator O is projected onto the space spanned by gross variables δA_i . The variable δa means a microscopic variable.

$$H = H_0 + H_I, \quad (20)$$

$$H_0 = \int d^3\mathbf{x} \bar{q}(\mathbf{x}) (-i\vec{\gamma} \cdot \nabla - \mu\gamma^0) q(\mathbf{x}), \quad (21)$$

$$H_I = -g \int d^3\mathbf{x} \{ (\bar{q}(\mathbf{x})q(\mathbf{x}))^2 + (\bar{q}(\mathbf{x})i\gamma_5\tau q(\mathbf{x}))^2 \}, \quad (22)$$

where H_0 and H_I are the nonperturbative Hamiltonian and the interaction Hamiltonian, respectively. Here, we introduce the Pauli matrices τ^i ($i = 1, 2, 3$). We set the coupling $g = 5.01 \text{ GeV}^{-2}$ and the three dimensional cutoff $\Lambda = 650 \text{ MeV}$ so as to reproduce the pion decay constant $f_\pi = 93 \text{ MeV}$ and the chiral condensate $\langle \bar{q}q \rangle = (-250 \text{ MeV})^3$ in the chiral limit. In particular, we are interested in the scalar channel. Thus, we ignore the pseudoscalar part of the interaction Hamiltonian in the following calculation.

The quark fields $q(\mathbf{x}, t)$ and $\bar{q}(\mathbf{x}, t)$ are expanded as

$$q(\mathbf{x}, t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{V}} \sum_{\mathbf{p}, s} [b_{\mathbf{p}, s} u(\mathbf{p}, s) e^{i\mathbf{p}\mathbf{x}} e^{-iE_p t} + d_{\mathbf{p}, s}^\dagger v(\mathbf{p}, s) e^{-i\mathbf{p}\mathbf{x}} e^{iE_p t}], \quad (23)$$

$$\bar{q}(\mathbf{x}, t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{V}} \sum_{\mathbf{p}, s} [b_{\mathbf{p}, s}^\dagger \bar{u}(\mathbf{p}, s) e^{i\mathbf{p}\mathbf{x}} e^{-iE_p t} + d_{\mathbf{p}, s} \bar{v}(\mathbf{p}, s) e^{-i\mathbf{p}\mathbf{x}} e^{iE_p t}], \quad (24)$$

where $E_p = |\mathbf{p}|$. The normalization conditions of the wave functions $u(\mathbf{p}, s)$ and $v(\mathbf{p}, s)$ are

$$u^\dagger(\mathbf{p}, s) u(\mathbf{p}, s') = v^\dagger(\mathbf{p}, s) v(\mathbf{p}, s') = \delta_{s, s'}, \quad (25)$$

$$\bar{v}(\mathbf{p}, s) u(\mathbf{p}, s) = v^\dagger(\mathbf{p}, s) u(-\mathbf{p}, -s') = 0. \quad (26)$$

The corresponding commutation relations are given by

$$[b_{\mathbf{p},s}, b_{\mathbf{p}',s'}^\dagger]_+ = [d_{\mathbf{p},s}, d_{\mathbf{p}',s'}^\dagger]_+ = \delta_{s,s'} \delta_{\mathbf{p},\mathbf{p}'}^{(3)}, \quad (27)$$

$$[q(\mathbf{x}, t), \bar{q}(\mathbf{y}, t)]_+ = \gamma^0 \delta^{(3)}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}), \quad (28)$$

$$[q(\mathbf{x}, t), q(\mathbf{y}, t)]_+ = [\bar{q}(\mathbf{x}, t), \bar{q}(\mathbf{y}, t)]_+ = 0, \quad (29)$$

where $[\]_+$ means the anticommutator.

Now, we choose gross variables to define the Mori projection operator. As is discussed in Sec. 3, there are three possible candidates for gross variables: (i) order parameters (ii) density variables associated with conserved quantities and (iii) their products. For simplicity, we ignore (iii) in this study. Then, we have the order parameter $\bar{q}q$, the number density $\bar{q}\gamma^0 q$, the energy density T^{00} and the momentum density T^{0i} as gross variables from the conditions (i) and (ii). However, we assume that near the critical temperature of the phase transition, the order parameters are much slower than the other density variables because of the critical slowing down where the relaxation time of the critical fluctuations indefinitely increases (At high density, the number density can be another gross variable as in the glass transition. We will discuss this point in Sec. 8.). Thus, we exclude (ii) from our gross variables. After all, the gross variable relevant to our calculation is the order parameter of the chiral phase transition. Then, the Mori projection operator is

$$PO = \int d^3\mathbf{x} d^3\mathbf{x}' (O, \delta\sigma(\mathbf{x}')) \cdot (\delta\sigma(\mathbf{x}'), \delta\sigma(\mathbf{x}''))^{-1} \cdot \delta\sigma(\mathbf{x}''). \quad (30)$$

Here, we have used the notation,

$$\delta\sigma(\mathbf{x}) = \bar{q}(\mathbf{x})q(\mathbf{x}) - \langle \bar{q}(\mathbf{x})q(\mathbf{x}) \rangle_{eq}. \quad (31)$$

where $\langle \bar{q}(\mathbf{x})q(\mathbf{x}) \rangle_{eq}$ is the expectation value in thermal equilibrium and vanishes above the critical temperature [58]. The canonical correlation is

$$(X, Y) = \int_0^\beta \frac{d\lambda}{\beta} \langle e^{\lambda H_0} X e^{-\lambda H_0} Y \rangle_0, \quad (32)$$

where

$$\langle O \rangle_0 = \frac{1}{Z_0} \text{Tr}[e^{-\beta H_0} O], \quad (33)$$

with $Z_0 = \text{Tr}[e^{-\beta H_0}]$. If we can solve the equation exactly, the system should thermalize with the total Hamiltonian H . However, in the following calculation, we make approximation where the solution of the derived Langevin equation relaxes toward an equilibrium state consistent with the mean-field approximation where quarks behave massless free particles above the critical temperature. Thus, we replace H with H_0 in the definition of the canonical correlation (18). In this manner, we should choose the projection operator so as to abstract the process that we should describe. In this sense, the projection operator method has more than the lowest order approximation of the perturbative expansion.

Substituting this Mori projection operator into the TC equation (15), we can derive the Langevin equation of the critical fluctuations of the order parameter in the chiral phase transition,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt}\delta\sigma(\mathbf{x}, t) = & e^{iLt}PiL\delta\sigma(\mathbf{x}, 0) + \int_0^t d\tau e^{iL(t-\tau)}PiLQe^{iQL_0Q\tau}iL\delta\sigma(\mathbf{x}, 0) \\ & + \xi(\mathbf{x}, t). \end{aligned} \quad (34)$$

The noise (third) term is determined so as to satisfy the 2nd F-D theorem. And, as is shown in Appendix C, the streaming term vanishes. Thus, in the following, we discuss the calculation of the memory function.

The calculation of the memory term is quite intricate because we must calculate the coarse-grained time evolution operator e^{iQL_0Qt} instead of the normal time evolution operator e^{iL_0t} that appears in normal calculations without coarse-grainings. First, we expand the memory term with the help of the normal time evolution operator:

$$\int_0^t d\tau e^{iL(t-\tau)}PiLQe^{iQL_0Q\tau}iL\delta\sigma(\mathbf{x}) = \int_0^t d\tau e^{iL(t-\tau)}PiLe^{iL_0\tau}\mathcal{B}(\tau, 0)QiL\delta\sigma(\mathbf{x}), \quad (35)$$

where

$$\mathcal{B}(t, t_0) = 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-i)^n \int_{t_0}^t dt_1 \cdots \int_{t_0}^{t_{n-1}} dt_n \check{L}_0^P(t_1 - t_0) \check{L}_0^P(t_2 - t_0) \cdots \check{L}_0^P(t_n - t_0), \quad (36)$$

with

$$\check{L}_0^P(t) \equiv e^{-iL_0 t} P L_0 e^{iL_0 t}. \quad (37)$$

Each term does not have the coarse-grained time evolution operator and is calculated exactly. Finally, we find the n-th order term given by

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_0^t d\tau e^{iL(t-\tau)} P i L e^{iL_0 \tau} (-i)^n \int_0^\tau dt_1 \cdots dt_n \check{L}_0^P(t_1) \cdots \check{L}_0^P(t_n) Q i L \delta\sigma(\mathbf{x}) \\ &= (-1)^n \int_0^t d\tau e^{iL(t-\tau)} P i L \int_0^\tau dt_1 \cdots dt_n \\ & \quad \times \frac{d^2 X_{t_n}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}_n)}{dt_n^2} \cdot \frac{dX_{t_{n-1}-t_n}(\mathbf{x}_n, \mathbf{x}_{n-1})}{dt_{n-1}} \cdots \frac{dX_{t_1-t_2}(\mathbf{x}_2, \mathbf{x}_1)}{dt_1} \cdot \delta\sigma_0(\mathbf{x}_1, \tau - t_1), \end{aligned} \quad (38)$$

where $\delta\sigma_0(\mathbf{x}, t) = e^{iL_0 t} \delta\sigma(\mathbf{x}, 0)$ and

$$\begin{aligned} X_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}'') &= (\delta\sigma_0(\mathbf{x}, t), \delta\sigma(\mathbf{x}')) \cdot (\delta\sigma(\mathbf{x}'), \delta\sigma(\mathbf{x}''))^{-1} \\ &= \int d^3 \mathbf{x}' \chi_t(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}') \chi_0^{-1}(\mathbf{x}' - \mathbf{x}''). \end{aligned} \quad (39)$$

In this expression, we dropped the sign of the integral for the repeated space variables for simple notation. In the following, we use this notation without notice. The concrete form of $\chi_t(\mathbf{x})$ is given later. Thus, the memory term is given by

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_0^t d\tau e^{iL(t-\tau)} P i L e^{iL_0 \tau} \mathcal{B}(\tau, 0) Q i L \delta\sigma(\mathbf{x}) \\ &= \int_0^t d\tau \left(\frac{d^2}{d\tau^2} X_\tau(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}_1) \cdot \delta\sigma(\mathbf{x}_1, t - \tau) + e^{iL(t-\tau)} P i L_I \frac{d}{d\tau} \delta\sigma_0(\mathbf{x}, \tau) \right) + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \int_0^t d\tau (-1)^n \\ & \quad \times \int_0^\tau d^3 \mathbf{x}_1 dt_1 \cdots d^3 \mathbf{x}_n dt_n \frac{d^2 X_{t_n}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}_n)}{dt_n^2} \cdot \frac{dX_{t_{n-1}-t_n}(\mathbf{x}_n, \mathbf{x}_{n-1})}{dt_{n-1}} \cdots \frac{dX_{t_1-t_2}(\mathbf{x}_2, \mathbf{x}_1)}{dt_1} \\ & \quad \cdot \left(\frac{d}{d\tau} X_{\tau-t_1}(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{y}) \cdot \delta\sigma(\mathbf{y}, t - \tau) + e^{iL(t-\tau)} P i L_I \delta\sigma_0(\mathbf{x}_1, \tau - t_1) \right). \end{aligned} \quad (40)$$

Here, we used $e^{iL(t-\tau)} \delta\sigma(\mathbf{x}) = \delta\sigma(\mathbf{x}, t - \tau)$.

This expression is simplified by using the Laplace transform. First, we ignore the terms including the interaction iL_I . The Laplace transform of the first term is

$$\mathcal{L}\left\{\frac{d^2}{dt^2}X_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}_1) \otimes \delta\sigma(\mathbf{x}_1, t)\right\} = \ddot{X}_s^L(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}_1) \cdot \delta\sigma^L(\mathbf{x}_1, s), \quad (41)$$

where $\mathcal{L}\{ \}$ means the Laplace transform and

$$\mathcal{L}\{A \otimes B\} = \mathcal{L}\left\{\int_0^t d\tau A(t - \tau)B(\tau)\right\}. \quad (42)$$

Here, we introduced the following expressions,

$$\mathcal{L}\{\sigma(\mathbf{x}, t)\} = \int_0^\infty dt e^{-st} \sigma(\mathbf{x}, t) \equiv \sigma^L(\mathbf{x}, s), \quad (43)$$

$$\mathcal{L}\left\{\frac{d}{dt}X_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}_1)\right\} = \int_0^\infty dt e^{-st} \frac{d}{dt}X_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}_1) \equiv \dot{X}_s^L(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}_1), \quad (44)$$

$$\mathcal{L}\left\{\frac{d^2}{dt^2}X_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}_1)\right\} = \int_0^\infty dt e^{-st} \frac{d^2}{dt^2}X_t(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}_1) \equiv \ddot{X}_s^L(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}_1). \quad (45)$$

The Laplace transform of the second term is

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathcal{L}\left\{-\int_0^t dt_1 \frac{d^2 X_{t_1}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}_1)}{dt_1^2} \cdot \frac{dX_{t-t_1}(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{y})}{dt} \otimes \delta\sigma(\mathbf{y}, t)\right\} \\ &= -\ddot{X}_s^L(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}_1) \cdot \dot{X}_s^L(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{y}) \cdot \delta\sigma^L(\mathbf{y}, s). \end{aligned} \quad (46)$$

All other terms can be calculated in the same way. Thus, the sum of all the Laplace transform of the memory term is given by

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathcal{L}\left\{\int_0^t ds \frac{d^2}{ds^2}X_s(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}_1) \cdot \delta\sigma(\mathbf{x}_1, t - s) + \sum_{n=1}^\infty (-1)^n \int_0^t d\tau \int_0^\tau dt_1 \cdots dt_n \right. \\ & \times \frac{d^2 X_{t_n}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}_n)}{dt_n^2} \cdots \frac{dX_{t_1-t_2}(\mathbf{x}_2, \mathbf{x}_1)}{dt_1} \cdot \frac{d}{d\tau}X_{\tau-t_1}(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{y}) \cdot \delta\sigma(\mathbf{y}, t - \tau)\Big\} \\ &= \int \frac{d^3 \mathbf{k}}{(2\pi)^3} e^{i\mathbf{k}\mathbf{x}} \ddot{\chi}_s^L(\mathbf{k}) / (\chi_0(\mathbf{k}) + \dot{\chi}_s^L(\mathbf{k})). \end{aligned} \quad (47)$$

Here, we used that

$$\chi_t(\mathbf{k})$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \int d^3(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}') e^{-i\mathbf{k}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}')} (\delta\sigma_0(\mathbf{x}, t), \delta\sigma(\mathbf{x}', 0)) \\
&= \frac{N_c N_f}{\beta V} \sum_{\mathbf{p}} \{ (n^+(E_{\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{p}}) - n^+(E_{\mathbf{p}}) + n^-(E_{\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{p}}) - n^-(E_{\mathbf{p}})) \\
&\quad \times \frac{E_{\mathbf{p}} E_{\mathbf{p}+\mathbf{k}} - \mathbf{p}(\mathbf{p} + \mathbf{k})}{E_{\mathbf{p}} E_{\mathbf{p}+\mathbf{k}} (E_{\mathbf{p}} - E_{\mathbf{p}+\mathbf{k}})} e^{i(E_{\mathbf{p}} - E_{\mathbf{p}+\mathbf{k}})t} \\
&\quad + (1 - n^+(E_{\mathbf{p}}) - n^-(E_{\mathbf{p}+\mathbf{k}})) \frac{E_{\mathbf{p}} E_{\mathbf{p}+\mathbf{k}} + \mathbf{p}(\mathbf{p} + \mathbf{k})}{E_{\mathbf{p}} E_{\mathbf{p}+\mathbf{k}} (E_{\mathbf{p}} + E_{\mathbf{p}+\mathbf{k}})} \\
&\quad \times (e^{i(E_{\mathbf{p}} + E_{\mathbf{p}+\mathbf{k}})t} + e^{-i(E_{\mathbf{p}} + E_{\mathbf{p}+\mathbf{k}})t}) \}, \tag{48}
\end{aligned}$$

where $N_c = 3$, $N_f = 2$, $E_{\mathbf{k}} = |\mathbf{k}|$ and

$$n^{\pm}(E) = \frac{1}{e^{\beta(E \mp \mu)} + 1}. \tag{49}$$

The Laplace transforms are defined by

$$\dot{\chi}_s^L(\mathbf{k}) = \int_0^{\infty} dt e^{-st} \frac{d}{dt} \chi_t(\mathbf{k}), \tag{50}$$

$$\ddot{\chi}_s^L(\mathbf{k}) = \int_0^{\infty} dt e^{-st} \frac{d^2}{dt^2} \chi_t(\mathbf{k}). \tag{51}$$

This term has the well-known structure and can be interpreted in the kinematical way. The first term is the scattering process and the second term is pair creation and annihilation processes.

Next, we calculate the terms including iL_I . The uncalculating factor $PiL_I \delta\sigma_0(\mathbf{x}, t)$ in Eq. (40) contains various contributions. Here, we are concerned with the contribution of the particle-antiparticle loop diagram shown in Fig. 2. (Then, our Langevin equation shows consistent behaviors with the equilibrium results in the mean-field approximation, as we will see later.) In this random phase approximation, we can calculate the interaction part by using Wick's theorem,

$$\begin{aligned}
&(iL_I \delta\sigma_0(\mathbf{x}, \tau), \delta\sigma(\mathbf{z})) \\
&\sim -ig \int d^3\mathbf{y} 2 [\underline{q_0^\alpha(\mathbf{y}, -i\lambda)} \underline{\bar{q}_0^\gamma(\mathbf{x}, \tau - i\lambda)} \underline{\bar{q}_0^\alpha(\mathbf{y}, -i\lambda)} \underline{q_0^\gamma(\mathbf{x}, \tau - i\lambda)} \underline{q_0^\beta(\mathbf{y}, -i\lambda)} \underline{\bar{q}_0^\delta(\mathbf{z})} \underline{\bar{q}_0^\beta(\mathbf{y}, -i\lambda)} \underline{q_0^\delta(\mathbf{z})} \\
&\quad - \underline{\bar{q}_0^\gamma(\mathbf{x}, \tau - i\lambda)} \underline{q_0^\beta(\mathbf{y}, -i\lambda)} \underline{q_0^\gamma(\mathbf{x}, \tau - i\lambda)} \underline{\bar{q}_0^\beta(\mathbf{y}, -i\lambda)} \underline{q_0^\alpha(\mathbf{y}, -i\lambda)} \underline{\bar{q}_0^\delta(\mathbf{z})} \underline{\bar{q}_0^\alpha(\mathbf{y}, -i\lambda)} \underline{q_0^\delta(\mathbf{z})}] \\
&= -2g\beta \int d^3\mathbf{y} \frac{d}{d\tau} \chi_\tau(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \chi_0(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}). \tag{52}
\end{aligned}$$

In the second line of the r. h. s. of the equation, we approximate the function by calculating the contribution of the ring diagram shown in Fig. 2. Here,

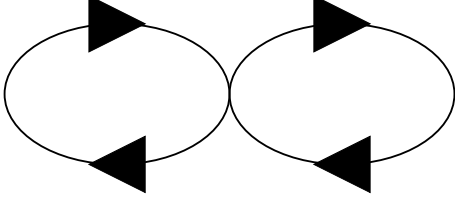


Fig. 2. The ring diagram that contributes the calculation of the memory term.

we introduced the contraction defined in Appendix D. Finally, the Laplace transform of the remaining part of the memory term is given by,

$$\begin{aligned}
& \mathcal{L}\left\{\int_0^t d\tau e^{iL(t-\tau)} PiL_I \frac{d}{d\tau} \delta\sigma_0(\mathbf{x}, \tau) + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \int_0^t d\tau (-1)^n \right. \\
& \times \int_0^{\tau} dt_1 \cdots dt_n \frac{d^2 X_{t_n}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}_n)}{dt_n^2} \cdots \frac{dX_{t_1-t_2}(\mathbf{x}_2, \mathbf{x}_1)}{dt_1} \cdot e^{iL(t-\tau)} PiL_I \delta\sigma_0(\mathbf{x}_1, \tau - t_1)\Big\} \\
& = \int \frac{d^3 \mathbf{k}}{(2\pi)^3} e^{i\mathbf{k}\mathbf{x}} \frac{\ddot{\chi}_s^L(\mathbf{k})}{(\chi_0(\mathbf{k}) + \dot{\chi}_s^L(\mathbf{k}))} (-2g\beta\chi_0(\mathbf{k})) \delta\sigma^L(\mathbf{k}, s).
\end{aligned} \tag{53}$$

Summarizing the above results, the memory term is given by

$$\int_0^t d\tau e^{iL(t-\tau)} PiLQ e^{iQL_0 Q\tau} iL \delta\sigma(\mathbf{x}) = - \int_0^t d\tau \int d^3 \mathbf{x}' \Gamma(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}', \tau) \delta\sigma(\mathbf{x}', t - \tau). \tag{54}$$

Here, the memory function $\Gamma(\mathbf{x}, t)$ is given by the inverse-Laplace transform of $\Gamma^L(\mathbf{x}, s)$,

$$\Gamma^L(\mathbf{x}, s) = \int \frac{d^3 \mathbf{k}}{(2\pi)^3} e^{i\mathbf{k}\mathbf{x}} \frac{-\ddot{\chi}_s^L(\mathbf{k})}{(\chi_0(\mathbf{k}) + \dot{\chi}_s^L(\mathbf{k}))} (1 - 2g\beta\chi_0(\mathbf{k})). \tag{55}$$

In short, the memory function that includes the coarse-grained time evolution operator $e^{iQL_0 Q t}$ is expressed by the combination of the normal correlation function $\chi_t(\mathbf{k})$. This fact was pointed out in [59] for the first time.

Finally, we discuss the noise term. In principle, the noise term also can be calculated by using the perturbative expansion. However, we do not need the concrete form of the noise in the following calculations. Thus, we determine the noise so as to reproduce the 2nd F-D theorem. Then, the equation is given by

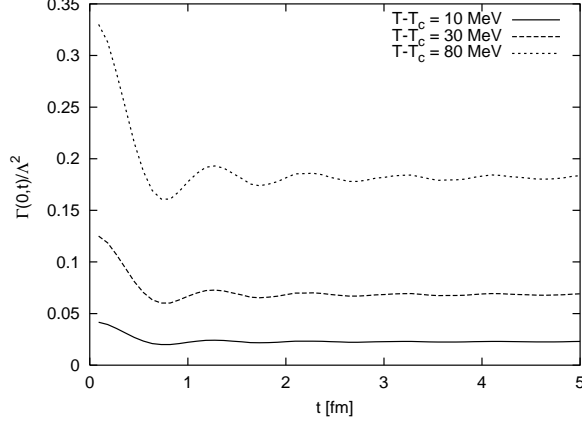


Fig. 3. The time dependence of the memory function at $\mu = 200$ MeV. The solid, dashed and dotted lines are the memory function for temperatures $T - T_c = 10$ MeV, 30 MeV and 80 MeV.

$$\frac{d}{dt}\delta\sigma(\mathbf{k}, t) = - \int_0^t d\tau \Gamma(\mathbf{k}, \tau) \delta\sigma(\mathbf{k}, t - \tau) + \xi(\mathbf{k}, t), \quad (56)$$

where the introduced noise $\xi(\mathbf{k}, t)$ has the first and second order correlations given by

$$(\xi(\mathbf{k}, t), \delta\sigma(\mathbf{k}', 0)) = \langle \xi(\mathbf{k}, t) \rangle_0 = 0, \quad (57)$$

$$(\xi(\mathbf{k}, t), \xi(\mathbf{k}', t')) = V \delta_{\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}'}^{(3)} \Gamma(\mathbf{k}, t - t') \chi_0(\mathbf{k}). \quad (58)$$

The above equation results from the naive application of the projection operator method. However, we cannot interpret this equation as a Langevin equation. To derive the Langevin equation, we must employ the renormalization of the memory function, as we will discuss in Sec. 5.

5 Renormalized Langevin equation

We have applied the projection operator method to the NJL model and derived the equation (56). Unfortunately, we cannot regard this equation as a Langevin equation, because of the problem of the long time correlation of the memory function. In Fig. 3, the time dependence of the memory function $\Gamma(\mathbf{0}, t)$ is shown at $\mu = 200$ MeV. The solid, dashed and dotted lines are the memory function for temperatures $T - T_c = 10$ MeV, 30 MeV and 80 MeV. The memory functions converge to finite values at late time. This behavior is unphysical because the memory function is given by the time correlation function of the noise from the 2nd F-D theorem. It is clear from the definition of the noise (10)

that because of the projection operator Q , all gross variables are excluded from the time evolution of the noise and hence the time correlation must converge to zero rapidly.

The long time correlation means that a variable associated with a long time scale is still included in the noise because of the incompleteness of the definition of the Mori projection operator [61]. As an example, we consider an exactly solvable model (See Appendix E for details.). The Hamiltonian is

$$H = \frac{p^2}{2M} + \frac{M\omega_0^2}{2}x^2 + \sum_i [\frac{p_i^2}{2} + \frac{\omega_i^2}{2}(x_i - \frac{\gamma_i}{\omega_i^2}x)^2]. \quad (59)$$

It is known that we must choose two gross variables p and x to derive the correct Langevin equation. Then, we have

$$\frac{d}{dt}x(t) = \frac{p(t)}{M}, \quad (60)$$

$$\frac{d}{dt}p(t) = -M\omega_0^2x(t) - \int_0^t ds \Xi(t-s)p(s) + f(t), \quad (61)$$

where the memory function $\Xi(t)$ and the noise $f(t)$ are given by

$$\Xi(t) = (f(t), f(0)) \cdot (p, p)^{-1} = \frac{1}{M} \sum_{j=1}^N \frac{\gamma_j}{\omega_j^2} \cos \omega_j(t - t'), \quad (62)$$

$$f(t) = \sum_{j=1}^N \gamma_j [\cos \omega_j t (x_j(0) - \frac{\gamma_j}{\omega_j^2}x(0)) + \frac{\sin \omega_j t}{\omega_j} p_j(0)], \quad (63)$$

respectively. On the other hand, when we choose only one gross variable p , the resulting equation has the long time correlation,

$$\frac{d}{dt}p(t) = - \int_0^t ds \Xi'(t-s)p(s) + f'(t), \quad (64)$$

where

$$\Xi'(t) = (f'(t), f'(0)) \cdot (p, p)^{-1} = \omega_0^2 + \Xi(t), \quad (65)$$

$$f'(t) = -M\omega_0^2x(0) + f(t). \quad (66)$$

Model	GV1	GV2	MF1	MF2	F
Exact	p	x	$\Xi'(t)$	$\Xi(t)$	ω_0^2
NJL	$\delta\sigma$?	$\Gamma(\mathbf{k}, t)$	$\Phi(\mathbf{k}, t)$	$\Omega^2(\mathbf{k}, t)$

Table 2

The correspondence between the exact model and the Langevin equation in the NJL model. The first two columns indicate the gross variables (GV) in each model. The next two columns denote the memory function with long time correlation (MF1) and that without long time correlation (MF2). The last column shows the frequency function (F).

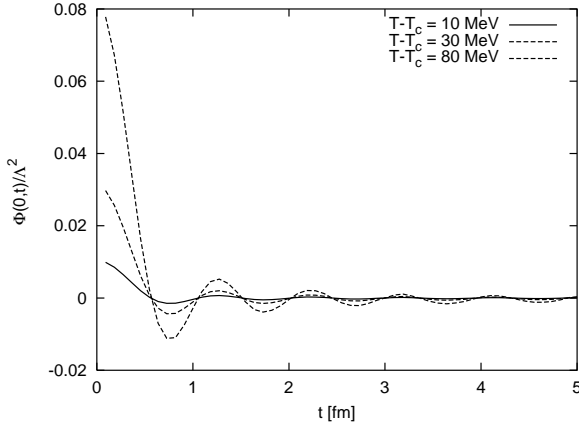


Fig. 4. The time dependence of the renormalized memory function at $\mu = 200$ MeV. The solid, dashed and dotted lines are the memory function for temperatures $T - T_c = 10$ MeV, 30 MeV and 80 MeV.

As is discussed in Appendix E, if we observe the system with long time scale, $\Xi(t)$ converges to zero quickly and does not have long time correlation. However, $\Xi'(t)$ does not converge to zero because of the frequency ω_0^2 and has long time correlation. As just described, the behavior of the memory function strongly depends on the definition of the Mori projection operator. In order to obtain the memory function without the long time correlation, we must prepare the complete set of gross variables.

The correspondence of the exact model and our equation is given in TABLE 2. The gross variable p in the exact model corresponds to $\delta\sigma(\mathbf{k}, t)$ in our Langevin equation. Therefore, in order to derive the Langevin equation without long time correlation, we must find out another variable corresponding to x in our model and redefine the Mori projection operator with the two gross variables. However, another gross variable in the NJL model is not obvious because the NJL Hamiltonian is composed of q and \bar{q} , and does not include the composite operator $\sigma = \bar{q}q$ explicitly.

Therefore, in this paper, we derive the correct memory function in another way.

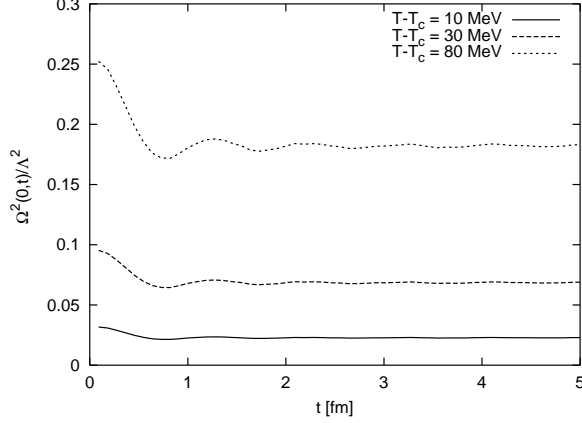


Fig. 5. The time dependence of the frequency function at $\mu = 200$ MeV. The solid, dashed and dotted lines are the memory function for temperatures $T - T_c = 10$ MeV, 30 MeV and 80 MeV.

First, we assume that there exists the exact correspondence of the exact model with our equation, and speculate the correct form of the memory function. By comparison Eq. (64) with Eq. (56), our memory function corresponds to $\Xi'(t)$, while the correct memory function should be given by the counterpart of $\Xi(t)$. In order to obtain the correct memory function in our model, we should separate the $\Gamma(\mathbf{k}, t)$ into two parts: the frequency part and the dissipation part. In quantum field theory, the frequency is given by the real part of the self energy in energy-momentum space, that is, the imaginary part of the memory function. Thus, we separate the imaginary part from the memory function to redefine the memory function without the long time tail. As a result, our memory function is separated into the following two parts,

$$\Gamma(\mathbf{k}, t) = \Omega_{\mathbf{k}}^2(t) + \Phi(\mathbf{k}, t), \quad (67)$$

$$\Omega_{\mathbf{k}}^2(t) = \int \frac{d\omega}{2\pi} i \text{Im}[\Gamma^L(\mathbf{k}, -i\omega + \epsilon)] e^{-i\omega t}, \quad (68)$$

$$\Phi(\mathbf{k}, t) = \int \frac{d\omega}{2\pi} \text{Re}[\Gamma^L(\mathbf{k}, -i\omega + \epsilon)] e^{-i\omega t}. \quad (69)$$

The memory function without long time correlation is given by the "renormalized" memory function $\Phi(\mathbf{k}, t)$, while $\Omega_{\mathbf{k}}^2(t)$ gives the frequency function.

The time dependence of the renormalized memory function and the frequency function at $\mu = 200$ MeV are given in Figs. 4 and 5, respectively. The solid, dashed and dotted lines are the memory function for temperatures $T - T_c = 10$ MeV, 30 MeV and 80 MeV. The renormalized memory function relaxes rapidly and vanishes at late time, while the frequency function converges to a finite value depending on the temperature. In this manner, we can get rid of the long time correlation of the memory function by renormalization.

Consequently, the correlation properties of the noise are also changed. The correct noise is related not to the memory function but to the renormalized memory function by the 2nd F-D theorem. At last, we have obtained the renormalized linear Langevin equation,

$$\frac{d}{dt}\delta\sigma(\mathbf{k}, t) = -\int_0^t d\tau \Omega_{\mathbf{k}}^2(\tau)\delta\sigma(\mathbf{k}, t-\tau) - \int_0^t d\tau \Phi(\mathbf{k}, \tau)\delta\sigma(\mathbf{k}, t-\tau) + \xi(\mathbf{k}, t), \quad (70)$$

where

$$(\xi(\mathbf{k}, t), \delta\sigma(\mathbf{k}', 0)) = \langle \xi(\mathbf{k}, t) \rangle = 0, \quad (71)$$

$$(\xi(\mathbf{k}, t), \xi^\dagger(\mathbf{k}', t')) = V\delta_{\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}'}^{(3)}\Phi(\mathbf{k}, t-t')\chi_0(\mathbf{k}). \quad (72)$$

From the behavior of the renormalized memory function, we can see the typical time scale of the noise is given by about 1 fm, as is shown in Fig. 4. As is discussed above, the time scale of the renormalized memory function is nothing but that of the noise. Thus, the typical time scale of the microscopic variables we have coarse-grained is about 1 fm. In our Langevin dynamics approach, the time scale of gross variables must be larger than that of the coarse-grained variables. Thus, our Langevin equation is reliable when the relaxation time of $\delta\sigma(\mathbf{k}, t)$ is larger than 1 fm. This condition is always satisfied near the critical points because of the critical slowing down.

This Langevin equation is the equation of operators, that is, the quantum Langevin equation. However, in the following discussions, we solve Eq. (70) as a semiclassical equation with a noise as a classical random field, because the concept of the noise as an operator is not clear. For this purpose, we introduce a classical noise that reproduces the correlation properties defined above,

$$\ll \xi(\mathbf{k}, t)\delta\sigma(\mathbf{k}', 0) \gg = \ll \xi(\mathbf{k}, t) \gg = 0, \quad (73)$$

$$\ll \xi(\mathbf{k}, t)\xi^*(\mathbf{k}', t') \gg = (\xi(\mathbf{k}, t), \xi^\dagger(\mathbf{k}', t')), \quad (74)$$

where $\ll \quad \gg$ means the average for the noise with a suitable stochastic weight. However, even after this replacement, the quantum effect is still included in $\Omega^2(\mathbf{k}, t)$, $\Phi(\mathbf{k}, t)$ and $\chi_0(\mathbf{k})$. In this sense, this is a semiclassical Langevin equation.

The correlations of the noise obtained by applying renormalization is consistent with those in the generalized Langevin equation for the Brownian motion discussed in [60], where the correlation of the noise is given by the real part of the memory function rather than the memory function itself as is discussed

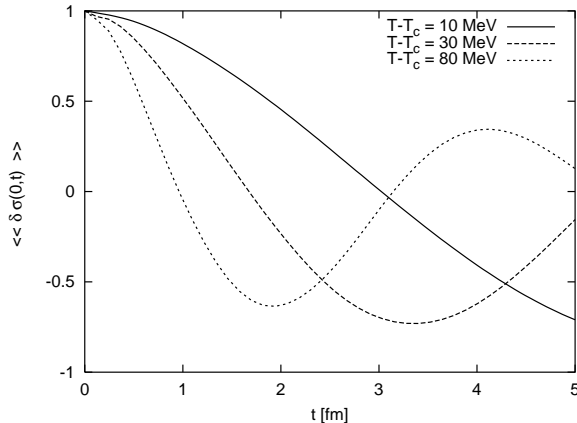


Fig. 6. The time evolution of $\langle\langle \delta\sigma(\mathbf{0}, t) \rangle\rangle$ at $\mu = 200$ MeV. The solid, dashed and dotted lines are the $\langle\langle \delta\sigma(\mathbf{0}, t) \rangle\rangle$ for temperatures $T - T_c = 10$ MeV, 30 MeV, 80 MeV.

above. Otherwise, the Langevin equation does not show thermalization at late time.

The averaged time evolution of the critical fluctuations of the order parameter at vanishing momentum is shown in Fig. 6. One can see that the nonequilibrium fluctuations relax exhibiting oscillation and finally converge to zero. This indicates that the critical dynamics of the chiral phase transition may not be described by a simple diffusion-type equation like the time-dependent Ginzburg-Landau (TDGL) equation. The relaxation time of the critical fluctuations becomes larger as the temperature approaches toward the critical temperature because of the critical slowing down that is investigated carefully in Sec. 7.

6 Thermalization and power spectrum

We have derived the linear Langevin equation in the projection operator method, employing the lowest order approximation of the perturbative expansion and the renormalization of the memory function. In this section, we show that the Langevin equation converges to an equilibrium state consistent with the mean-field approximation as time goes on.

The relaxation time of the critical fluctuations diverges at the critical point because of the critical slowing down. Thus, the critical temperature of the second order phase transition can be determined by the temperature where $\Phi(\mathbf{0}, t)$, and hence $\Gamma(\mathbf{0}, t)$, vanishes. From Eq. (55), the vanishing point is given by the following condition,

$$1 - 2g\beta\chi_0(\mathbf{0})|_{T=T_c} = 0. \quad (75)$$

This condition is nothing but the self-consistency condition of the chiral condensate calculated in the mean-field approximation [62]. Therefore, the critical temperature of second order phase transition in the linear Langevin equation is completely same as the conventional mean-field result. Besides, this condition can be regarded as a kind of the Thouless criterion [63]. On the other hand, it is not clear that the critical temperature of the first order phase transition can be determined by the same condition. However, from the numerical result discussed below, one can see that the critical slowing down occurs even for the first order phase transition.

Next, we show that the linear Langevin equation reveals thermalization. From Fig. 6, $\delta\sigma(\mathbf{k}, t)$ converges to zero at late time for arbitrary initial states. This is one evidence of thermalization. The other evidence is the correlation function of $\delta\sigma(\mathbf{k}, t)$. From the renormalized Langevin equation, we can derive the equation of the correlation function,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt} \ll \delta\sigma(\mathbf{k}, t)\delta\sigma(-\mathbf{k}, 0) \gg &= - \int_0^t d\tau \Omega_{\mathbf{k}}^2(\tau) \ll \delta\sigma(\mathbf{k}, t-\tau)\delta\sigma(-\mathbf{k}, 0) \gg \\ &- \int_0^t d\tau \Phi(\mathbf{k}, \tau) \ll \delta\sigma(\mathbf{k}, t-\tau)\delta\sigma(-\mathbf{k}, 0) \gg. \end{aligned} \quad (76)$$

When, we prepare the thermal equilibrium state as an initial state, the equation represents the correlation function in equilibrium,

$$\ll \delta\sigma(\mathbf{k}, 0)\delta\sigma(-\mathbf{k}, 0) \gg = (\delta\hat{\sigma}(\mathbf{k}, 0), \delta\hat{\sigma}(-\mathbf{k}, 0)) = \chi_0(\mathbf{k}). \quad (77)$$

The solution of the differential equation is defined in $t \geq 0$. Thus, we assume that the solution is symmetric at $t = 0$. Then, the correlation function is given by

$$\begin{aligned} &\ll \delta\sigma(\mathbf{k}, t)\delta\sigma(-\mathbf{k}, 0) \gg \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{d\omega}{2\pi} \text{Re} \left[\frac{2\chi_0(\mathbf{k})}{-i\omega + \Omega_{\mathbf{k}}^2(\omega) + \Phi(\mathbf{k}, \omega)} \right] e^{-i\omega t} \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{d\omega}{2\pi} \frac{2\Phi(\mathbf{k}, \omega)\chi_0(\mathbf{k})}{|-i\omega + \Omega_{\mathbf{k}}^2(\omega) + \Phi(\mathbf{k}, \omega)|^2} e^{-i\omega t}, \end{aligned} \quad (78)$$

where

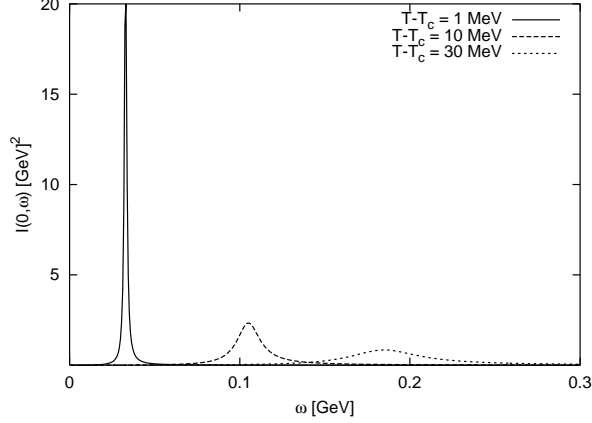


Fig. 7. The temperature dependence of the power spectrum at $\mathbf{k} = \mathbf{0}$ for a fixed chemical potentials $\mu = 0$. The solid, dashed and dotted lines are for $T - T_c = 1$ MeV, 10 MeV and 30 MeV, respectively.

$$\Omega_{\mathbf{k}}^2(\omega) = \int_0^\infty dt \Omega_{\mathbf{k}}^2(t) e^{i\omega t} = i \text{Im} \Gamma^L(\mathbf{k}, -i\omega + \epsilon), \quad (79)$$

$$\Phi(\mathbf{k}, \omega) = \int_0^\infty dt \Phi(\mathbf{k}, t) e^{i\omega t} = \text{Re} \Gamma^L(\mathbf{k}, -i\omega + \epsilon). \quad (80)$$

It should be noted that $\Omega_{\mathbf{k}}^2(\omega)$ and $\Phi(\mathbf{k}, \omega)$ are the odd and even functions of ω , respectively.

The same result can be obtained from the Wiener-Khinchin theorem, where the correlation function in equilibrium is given by

$$\begin{aligned} & \lim_{t' \rightarrow \infty} \ll \delta\sigma(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{x}', t + t') \delta\sigma(\mathbf{x}', t') \gg \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^\infty \frac{d\omega d^3\mathbf{k}}{(2\pi)^4} I(\mathbf{k}, \omega) e^{-i\omega t} e^{i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{x}}. \end{aligned} \quad (81)$$

Here, the power spectrum $I(\mathbf{k}, \omega)$ is defined by

$$I(\mathbf{k}, \omega) = \lim_{T, V \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{TV} \ll |\delta\sigma(\mathbf{k}, \omega)|^2 \gg, \quad (82)$$

where

$$\delta\sigma(\mathbf{k}, \omega) = \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^T dt \delta\sigma(\mathbf{k}, t) e^{i\omega t}. \quad (83)$$

Here, T is the period of the time evolution of $\delta\sigma(\mathbf{k}, t)$. In this derivation, we do not use the information of the initial state. However, the result is completely same as Eq. (78). By this means, we obtain the same expression of the correlation function in different two ways under the assumption of thermalization. Furthermore, if we ignore the oscillation term, the above result reproduces the same result as the power spectrum in the Brownian motion [60]. In this sense, our Langevin equation reveals thermalization.

And this is the reason that we adapted the renormalization procedure discussed in the previous section. To get rid of the long time correlation of the memory function, it is possible to apply another condition of renormalization;

$$\Omega_{\mathbf{k}}^2(t) \longrightarrow \Gamma(\mathbf{k}, \infty), \quad (84)$$

$$\Phi(\mathbf{k}, t) \longrightarrow \Gamma(\mathbf{k}, t) - \Gamma(\mathbf{k}, \infty). \quad (85)$$

However, it is clear that we cannot show thermalization in this renormalization condition. Therefore, in order to assure thermalization, we should employ the renormalization condition discussed in the previous section.

The temperature dependence of the power spectrum is shown in Fig. 7. We can see that the peak moving toward origin becomes prominent as the temperature is lowered toward T_c . The power spectrum characterizes the space-time correlation in the energy-momentum space and hence can be interpreted as the spectral function in thermal field theory. Then the peak with narrow width reveals the existence of a collective mode whose energy tends to vanish as the temperature approaches toward T_c . Such a mode is called a soft mode. The soft mode appears when the system becomes unstable for external perturbations [64,65]. The temperature dependence of the power spectrum is consistent with the the previous result, where the spectral function is calculated in the linear response theory [64].

7 Enhancement of critical slowing down

As is well-known, the long wave length component of the order parameter shows extraordinary large fluctuations near the critical point because of the increase of the relaxation time. This slowing down of the fluctuations is called the critical slowing down [55]. In this section, we discuss the behavior of the critical slowing down in T - μ plane.

For this purpose, first, we calculate the phase structure of the NJL model. As is discussed, the renormalized Langevin equation (70) has the same critical temperature as that in the mean-field approximation. Thus, we should calculate the thermodynamic potential in the mean-field approximation in order to fix

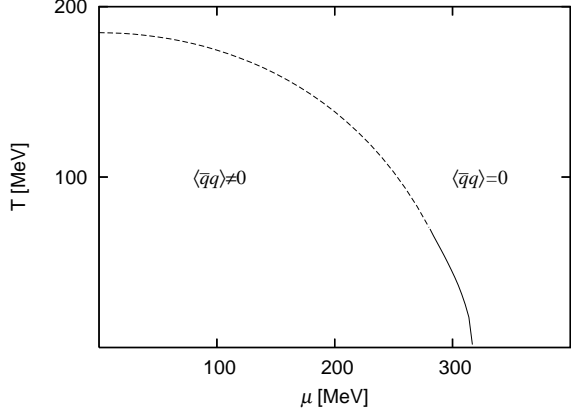


Fig. 8. The phase diagram in $T - \mu$ plane in the mean-field approximation. The dashed and solid lines denote the critical line of the second and the first order phase transition, respectively. The tricritical point is located at $(T, \mu) = (70, 280)$ MeV.

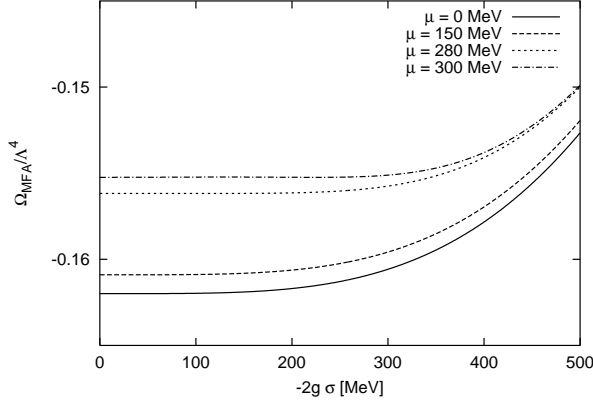


Fig. 9. The thermodynamic potential per unit volume on the critical line of the chiral phase transition. The solid, dashed, dotted and dotted dashed lines represent the thermodynamic potential at $\mu = 0, 150, 280, 300$ MeV, respectively.

the phase diagram, that is shown in Fig. 8. The dashed line represents the critical line of the second order phase transition and starts from $(T, \mu) = (185, 0)$ MeV. The order of the phase transition changes from second to first at the tricritical point located at $(T, \mu) = (70, 280)$ MeV. The solid line expresses the critical line of the first order phase transition that ends at $(T, \mu) = (0, 317)$ MeV.

The corresponding thermodynamic potential per unit volume on the critical line is shown in Fig. 9. The solid, dashed, dotted and dotted dashed lines represent the thermodynamic potential at $\mu = 0, 150, 280, 300$ MeV, respectively. The bottom of the thermodynamic potential becomes broader as the chemical potential approaches toward the tricritical point. This reflects the existence of the large fluctuations around the tricritical point. At $\mu = 300$ MeV, the

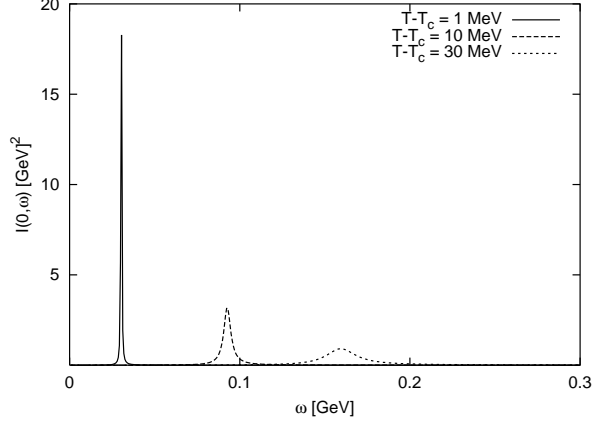


Fig. 10. The temperature dependence of the power spectrum at $\mathbf{k} = \mathbf{0}$ for a fixed chemical potentials $\mu = 280$ MeV. The solid, dashed and dotted lines are for $T - T_c = 1$ MeV, 10 MeV and 30 MeV, respectively.

order of the phase transition is first and hence the thermodynamic potential has two local minima, although it is invisible.

In order to clarify the equilibrium property above the critical temperatures, we calculated the temperature dependences of the power spectrum at $\mu = 280$ MeV in Fig. 10. Compared to Fig. 7, one can see that above the second order phase transition, the temperature dependence of the power spectrum is almost same, although the peaks at $\mu = 280$ MeV approach to the origin faster. However, interestingly enough, the behavior of the memory function shows that the relaxation is drastically changed around the tricritical point as we will see soon later.

We are interested in the behavior near the critical points and the typical time scale of the critical fluctuations increases because of the critical slowing down. Then, we can ignore the microscopic time-dependence included in the memory function and the frequency function. As is shown in Fig. 4, the renormalized memory function converges to zero with a short time scale about 1 fm, that is negligible by comparison with the time scale of the critical fluctuations in the vicinity of the critical temperature. Then, we can approximate the renormalized memory function as

$$\Phi(\mathbf{k}, t) \approx 2\gamma_{\mathbf{k}}\delta(t), \quad (86)$$

where

$$\gamma_{\mathbf{k}} = \int_0^\infty d\tau \Phi(\mathbf{k}, \tau). \quad (87)$$

On the other hand, the frequency function converges to a finite value rapidly and we approximate it as

$$\Omega^2(\mathbf{k}, t) \approx \Omega_{\mathbf{k}}^2 \equiv \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \Omega^2(\mathbf{k}, t). \quad (88)$$

These approximations are sometimes called the Markov limit. Then, the Markovian Langevin equation is given by

$$\frac{d}{dt} \delta\sigma(\mathbf{k}, t) = -\Omega_{\mathbf{k}}^2 \int_0^t d\tau \delta\sigma(\mathbf{k}, \tau) - \gamma_{\mathbf{k}} \delta\sigma(\mathbf{k}, t) + \xi(\mathbf{k}, t), \quad (89)$$

where

$$\ll \xi(\mathbf{k}, t) \delta\sigma(\mathbf{k}', 0) \gg = \ll \xi(\mathbf{k}, t) \gg = 0, \quad (90)$$

$$\ll \xi(\mathbf{k}, t) \xi(\mathbf{k}', t') \gg = 2V \gamma_{\mathbf{k}} \chi_0(\mathbf{k}) \delta_{\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}'}^{(3)} \delta(t - t'). \quad (91)$$

In the Markov limit, the colored noise is reduced to the Gaussian white noise.

There are two possibility of the solution of the Langevin equation, depending on the value of $A_{\mathbf{k}} = \sqrt{\Omega_{\mathbf{k}}^2 - \gamma_{\mathbf{k}}^2/4}$. The critical fluctuations relax exhibiting oscillation, if $A_{\mathbf{k}}^2 \geq 0$. However, if $A_{\mathbf{k}}^2 \leq 0$, this is the case of the overdamping and the solution does not show oscillation. In our case, the condition $A_{\mathbf{k}}^2 \geq 0$ is always satisfied. Thus, the solution of this Langevin equation is

$$\begin{aligned} & \ll \delta\sigma(\mathbf{k}, t) \gg \\ &= \delta\sigma(\mathbf{k}, 0) e^{-\gamma_{\mathbf{k}} t/2} \left[-\frac{\gamma_{\mathbf{k}}}{2A_{\mathbf{k}}} \sin A_{\mathbf{k}} t + \cos A_{\mathbf{k}} t \right]. \end{aligned} \quad (92)$$

From this analytic expression, one can see that the typical relaxation time of the long wave length component of the critical fluctuations is given by $\tau_{rt} = 2/\gamma_0$.

First, we discuss the behavior of the frequency $A_{\mathbf{k}}$ that is shown in Fig. 11 at a vanishing momentum. Above the critical line of the second order phase transition, the frequency decreases at the almost same speed as the temperature approaches to the critical temperature for different μ . On the other hand, above the critical line of the first order phase transition, the frequency increases with μ along the critical line from the tricritical point. This behavior is consistent with the behavior of the thermodynamic potential. Above

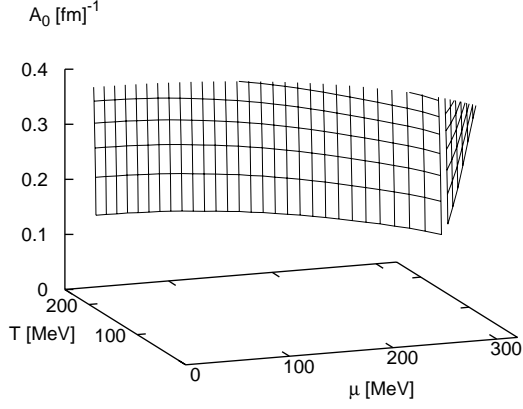


Fig. 11. Temperature and chemical potential dependences of the frequency A_0 .

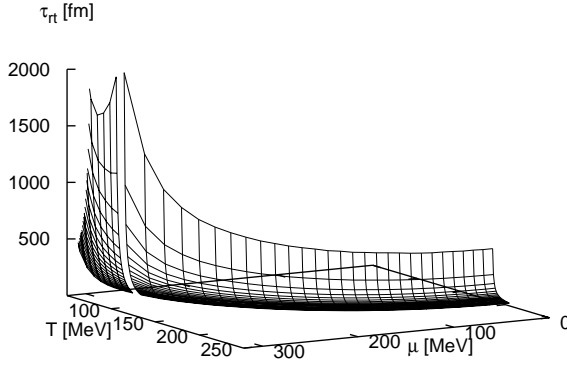


Fig. 12. Temperature and chemical potential dependences of the relaxation time at higher temperature than 50 MeV.

the second order phase transition, the thermodynamic potential has only one minimum and the curvature of the potential is negligibly small as is shown in Fig. 9. However, the thermodynamic potential has two minima above the first order phase transition and the curvature of the potential can be finite.

The behavior of the relaxation is extremely interesting in comparison with that of the frequency. The temperature and chemical potential dependences of the relaxation time is shown in Fig. 12. The relaxation time at lower temperature than 50 MeV is not shown because it diverges at speed. Thus, we plotted the damping coefficient γ_0 in low temperature and large chemical potential region in Fig. 13 instead of the relaxation time. At a fixed μ , the relaxation time increases as the temperature is lowered toward the critical temperature

and diverges at the critical point because of the critical slowing down. In this figure, we started to plot from the 1 MeV higher temperature than the critical temperature. When we increase μ along the critical line, we encounter the enhancement of the critical slowing down; one is in the low temperature and large chemical potential region and the other is around the tricritical point. The former can be explained by the Pauli blocking due to the Fermi surface. As a matter of fact, the damping coefficient vanishes quickly there as is shown in Fig. 13.

More interestingly, the critical slowing down can be enhanced around the tricritical point. This would be related to the broadness of the bottom of the thermodynamic potential. As is shown in Fig. 9, when we increase the chemical potential, the bottom of the thermodynamic potential increases gradually and achieves maximum at the tricritical point. At larger chemical potential than that of the tricritical point, the thermodynamic potential has two minimum but the potential barrier between the two minima is still shallow. Thus, the large fluctuations are still possible to survive. In short, there exist extraordinary large fluctuations around the tricritical point and this causes the enhancement. Because of the large relaxation time of the critical fluctuations, thermalization is decelerated, in particular, in the low temperature and large chemical potential region and around the tricritical point.

It should be noted that the enhancement is not obvious in the behavior of the power spectrum. This is because the power spectrum is given by $\Phi(\mathbf{k}, \omega)$ and $\Omega_{\mathbf{k}}^2(\omega)$, and the former is smaller than the latter. Thus, the behavior of the power spectrum is dominated by $\Omega_{\mathbf{k}}^2(\omega)$ and the information of $\Phi(\mathbf{k}, \omega)$ is smeared. However, as is indirectly shown in Fig. 11, the frequency $\Omega_{\mathbf{k}}^2(\omega)$ does not reveal the anomalous behavior around the tricritical point, clearly. Thus, we cannot see the remarkable difference between Figs. 7 and 10.

8 Concluding remarks

We have derived the linear Langevin equation that describes the dynamics of the chiral phase transition at finite temperature and density. The simple application of the projection operator method to the Nambu-Jona-Lasinio (NJL) model caused the long time correlation in the memory function. To avoid this difficulty, we introduced the renormalization of the memory function. The resulting Langevin equation reveals the critical slowing down at the same temperature as that estimated in the mean-field approximation and shows thermalization.

The order parameter relaxes exhibiting oscillation and this is different from the behavior expected from a simple diffusion-type equation like the time-

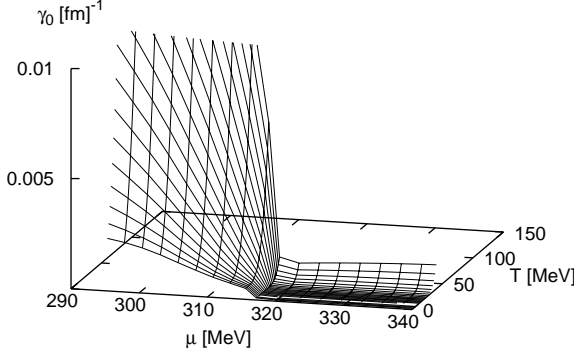


Fig. 13. The temperature and chemical potential dependences of the damping coefficient γ_0 in low temperature and large chemical potential region.

dependent Ginzburg-Landau (TDGL) equation. This means that the assumption employed to derive the TDGL equation may lose its validity in the chiral phase transition. In the derivation of the TDGL equation, one assumes that the time evolution of the order parameter is induced by a sort of the thermodynamic force that is given by $\delta F/\delta M$, where F is the Ginzburg-Landau free energy and M is the order parameter. However, in general, a number of thermodynamic forces are possible to induce such an irreversible process because of the cross effect (for example, the Dufour effect and the Serot effect in thermal conduction). Then, the usual TDGL equation can be changed from a simple diffusion-type equation.

The power spectrum was also calculated in different two ways. One is the application of the Wiener-Khinchin theorem and the other is to solve the evolution equation of the correlation function under the assumption of initial thermal equilibrium. The two power spectrums have completely same form and we can conclude that the Langevin equation shows thermalization. The energy and temperature dependences of the power spectrum is consistent with that calculated in the linear response theory where the random phase approximation is employed [64] and there exists the soft mode. As a result, we can conclude that our Langevin equation fulfils the requirements near T_c .

In this calculation, we approximate the memory function calculating the ring diagram contribution because we want to derive the equation that converges to the equilibrium state consistent with the mean-field approximation. However, it is possible to derive the equation including higher order contributions. Then, the merit of our formulation is to be possible to derive **nonperturbative** results by approximating the memory function **perturbatively**, and the higher order term is already known by the systematic expansion of $\mathcal{D}(t, t_0)$.

In the latter part of this paper, we discussed the temperature and chemical potential dependences of the critical fluctuations in the chiral phase transition. At a fixed μ , the relaxation time of the critical fluctuations increases because of the critical slowing down. On the other hand, increasing the chemical potential along the critical line, we found the enhancement of the critical slowing down. One is seen in low temperature and large chemical potential region. This is because the decay of the critical fluctuations is suppressed owing to the Pauli blocking. The other enhancement is shown around the tricritical point. This would be related to the broadness of the thermodynamic potential around the tricritical point and means that there exist extremely large fluctuations. The enhancement of the critical slowing down may affect the formation of the disoriented chiral condensate (DCC). Around the tricritical point, the large fluctuations can have a long relaxation time and it may be of advantage to form the large domain of DCC.

As is well-known, the mean-field approximation cannot describe the static and dynamical critical exponents correctly in various cases. Thus, the validity of our results might be suspected. However, it should be noted that we approximate the memory function by the ring diagram contribution and hence the relaxation dynamics itself includes the fluctuation effects, although the equilibrium state is consistent with the mean-field one.

As another problem, we used the NJL model as a low-energy effective theory of QCD, where the endpoint is located at lower temperature and higher chemical potential than those estimated in other approaches, for example, Lattice QCD calculations [66,67,68,69,70,71,72]. However, we can expect that our calculation is still available to describe the critical dynamics qualitatively, because the enhancement of the critical slowing down can be explained from the Pauli blocking and the behavior of the thermodynamic potential. Thus, it is reasonable to expect that the behavior still survive even if we take into account higher order corrections or calculate in more realistic models.

In this study, we ignored the finite current quark mass. When we take into account it, the phase transition is changed from the second order to crossover and the tricritical point is replaced by the endpoint. Then, the critical slowing down is smeared and hence the behavior around the endpoint will be changed.

We have discussed the derivation and the behavior of the Langevin equation ignoring nonlinear effects. However, from the Ginzburg criterion, the nonlinear fluctuations play important roles near the critical points. As a matter of fact, the mode coupling theory makes it clear that to calculate the dynamical critical exponent correctly, we must introduce nonlinear terms in the van Hove theory [19]. The nonlinear term will affect not only the dynamical critical exponent but also the power spectrum. The behavior of the power spectrum discussed in this paper was almost same as that in the linear response theory. This means

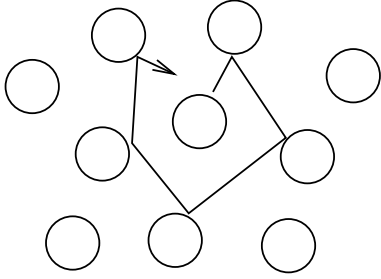


Fig. 14. A particle can exchange its energy and momentum by collisions, but it is difficult to move far away from the initial position in high density system.

that the conventional discussions based on the linear response theory may be inadequate to discuss the behaviors of the critical fluctuations. Furthermore, by using the *nonlinear* Langevin equation, we can discuss the possibility of the dynamical transition in QCD like the ergodic-nonergodic transition that is discussed in the glass transition [73]. In the projection operator method, the effect of the nonlinearity can be incorporated by introducing nonlinear terms as gross variables in the definition of the Mori projection operator.

In this paper, we have assumed that there is only one gross variable, that is, the fluctuations of the order parameter. However, densities of conserved quantities also can be gross variables as is discussed in Sec. 3. The most promising candidate is the number density of quarks. In the high density system, a particle is thickly surrounded by other particles. The energy and momentum of a particle is exchanged continuously by collisions, but it is difficult to move far away from the initial position, as is schematically shown in Fig. 14. Therefore, the number density changes slowly and can be a gross variable compared to the energy and momentum densities. This situation is probably realized in glass transition where the fluctuations of the number density play a role of an order parameter [73]. As a matter of fact, the effect of the number density for the critical fluctuations has been studied in the linear response theory [10,11].

Definitely, our discussion is applicable to other phase transition like the color superconducting phase transition. These subjects are future problems.

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A Fluctuation-dissipation theorem of second kind

Sometimes, a Langevin equation is phenomenologically derived, where a noise term is artificially introduced to realize thermalization. Then, we assume that there exists a relation between a memory function and a noise term like the Einstein relation in the Brownian motion. However, in this projection operator method, we can prove the exact relation between a noise term and a memory term. This is called the fluctuation-dissipation theorem of second kind [38]. In the following discussion, we use the Mori projection operator that is defined in Sec. 3.

Let us regard $A(\mathbf{x})$ as a gross variable and derive a Langevin equation for $A(\mathbf{x})$. For simplicity, we assume that $A(\mathbf{x})$ does not have a finite value in equilibrium, $\langle A(\mathbf{x}) \rangle_{eq} = 0$. Then, the Mori projection is defined by

$$P O = (O, A(\mathbf{x}')) \cdot (A(\mathbf{x}'), A(\mathbf{x}''))^{-1} \cdot A(\mathbf{x}''). \quad (\text{A.1})$$

Substituting this expression into the exact TC equation (10), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt} A(\mathbf{x}, t) &= (iL A(\mathbf{x}), A^\dagger(\mathbf{x}')) \cdot (A(\mathbf{x}'), A^\dagger(\mathbf{x}'')) \cdot A(\mathbf{x}'', t) \\ &\quad + \int_{t_0}^t ds (iL f(\mathbf{x}, s), A^\dagger(\mathbf{x}')) \cdot (A(\mathbf{x}'), A^\dagger(\mathbf{x}''))^{-1} \cdot A(\mathbf{x}'', t-s) + f(\mathbf{x}, t) \\ &= (iL A(\mathbf{x}), A^\dagger(\mathbf{x}')) \cdot (A(\mathbf{x}'), A^\dagger(\mathbf{x}'')) \cdot A(\mathbf{x}'', t) \\ &\quad + \int_{t_0}^t ds (f(\mathbf{x}, s), f^\dagger(\mathbf{x}', 0)) \cdot (A(\mathbf{x}'), A^\dagger(\mathbf{x}''))^{-1} \cdot A(\mathbf{x}'', t-s) + f(\mathbf{x}, t). \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A.2})$$

Here, we put $A(\mathbf{x}) = A(\mathbf{x}, t_0)$, for simplicity. The operator form of the noise is given by

$$f(\mathbf{x}, t) = Q e^{iLQ(t-t_0)} iL A(\mathbf{x}), \quad (\text{A.3})$$

that has the following properties:

$$(f(\mathbf{x}, t), A(\mathbf{x}')) = 0, \quad (\text{A.4})$$

$$\langle f(\mathbf{x}, t) \rangle_{eq} \equiv \text{Tr}[\rho f(\mathbf{x}, t)] = 0, \quad (\text{A.5})$$

where ρ is given by $\rho = e^{-\beta H} / \text{Tr}[e^{-\beta H}]$. Here we used that $PQ = 0$. The first correlation means that the noise term is always orthogonal to the gross

variable $A(\mathbf{x})$. The second correlation indicates that the thermal average of the noise vanishes.

Now, we introduce the memory function as

$$\Gamma(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}''; t, 0) = (f(\mathbf{x}, t), f^\dagger(\mathbf{x}', 0)) \cdot (A(\mathbf{x}'), A^\dagger(\mathbf{x}''))^{-1}. \quad (\text{A.6})$$

This exact Langevin equation with the Mori projection is, sometimes, called the Mori equation. We can see that the memory function is given by the time correlation of the noise in the Mori equation. This exact relation is called the fluctuation-dissipation theorem of second kind (2nd F-D theorem). In this paper, we assume that the exact relation should be satisfied even for the approximated memory function. Then, the noise is determined so as to reproduce the 2nd F-D theorem, that is, condition (A.6).

B Derivation of Mori projection operator

We shall consider the system which is in the thermal equilibrium state with small external perturbation $\{h_\mu\}$ at $t < 0$. At $t = 0$, the external perturbation is switched off, and the system relaxes to a new thermal equilibrium state at $t > 0$. The initial density matrix to describe this situation is

$$\rho(\{h_\mu\}) = \frac{1}{Z_h} \exp[-\beta(H - \sum_\mu \int d^3\mathbf{x} h_\mu(\mathbf{x}) A_\mu(\mathbf{x}))], \quad (\text{B.1})$$

where $\{A_\mu(\mathbf{x})\}$ is a dynamical variable, whose relaxation we are interested in and Z_h is the normalization factor.

The most probable relaxation path at $t > 0$ in the Heisenberg picture, is given by

$$\langle A_\mu(\mathbf{x}, t) \rangle = \text{Tr}[\rho(\{h_\mu\}) A_\mu(\mathbf{x}, t)]. \quad (\text{B.2})$$

At $t > 0$, the dynamics of the system is governed by the Hamiltonian H . The time evolution of the dynamical variable, thus, is defined by

$$A_\mu(\mathbf{x}, t) = e^{iHt} A_\mu(\mathbf{x}) e^{-iHt}, \quad (\text{B.3})$$

where $A_\mu(\mathbf{x}) = A_\mu(\mathbf{x}, 0)$. When the initial deviation from thermal equilibrium is small, the external perturbation $\{h_\mu\}$ is small and Eq. (B.2) can be approximated as

$$\begin{aligned} \langle A_\mu(\mathbf{x}, t) \rangle &= \langle A_\mu(\mathbf{x}) \rangle_0 \\ &+ \sum_\nu \int d^3\mathbf{x}' \beta (A_\mu(\mathbf{x}, t), A_\nu(\mathbf{x}') - \langle A_\nu(\mathbf{x}') \rangle_0)_0 h_\nu(\mathbf{x}'), \end{aligned} \quad (\text{B.4})$$

where $\langle O \rangle_0$ means $\text{Tr}[\rho(0)O]$ and the inner product is the Kubo's canonical correlation defined in Eq. (18);

$$(F, G)_0 = \int_0^\beta \frac{d\lambda}{\beta} \text{Tr}[\rho(0) e^{-\lambda H} F e^{\lambda H} G]. \quad (\text{B.5})$$

The small external perturbation $\{h_\mu\}$ in Eq. (B.4) is eliminated using Eq. (B.4) at $t = 0$. Thus, we have

$$\langle A_\mu(\mathbf{x}, t) \rangle = \sum_{\mu, \nu} \int d^3\mathbf{x}' d^3\mathbf{x}'' (A_\mu(\mathbf{x}, t), A_\nu(\mathbf{x}')) \cdot [(A(\mathbf{x}'), A(\mathbf{x}''))^{-1}]_{\gamma, \nu} \cdot \langle A_\mu(\mathbf{x}, 0) \rangle, \quad (\text{B.6})$$

where the inverse is defined by

$$\sum_\nu \int d^3\mathbf{x} [(A(\mathbf{x}), A(\mathbf{x}'))^{-1}]_{\mu, \nu} \cdot (A_\nu(\mathbf{x}'), A_\gamma(\mathbf{x}'')) = \delta_{\mu, \gamma} \delta^{(3)}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}''). \quad (\text{B.7})$$

Here, we set $\langle A_\mu(\mathbf{x}) \rangle_0 = 0$, for simplicity.

This equation (B.6) can be reexpressed as $PA_\mu(\mathbf{x}, t)$ by introducing the Mori projection operator,

$$PO = \sum_{\mu, \nu} \int d^3\mathbf{x}' d^3\mathbf{x}'' (O, A_\gamma(\mathbf{x}')) \cdot [(A(\mathbf{x}'), A(\mathbf{x}''))^{-1}]_{\gamma, \nu}^{-1} \cdot A_\mu(\mathbf{x}). \quad (\text{B.8})$$

Namely, the relaxation of an arbitrary operator is extracted by operating the Mori projection operator.

C The streaming term

First, it should be noted that the order parameter commutes with the interaction part;

$$iL_I \delta\sigma(\mathbf{x}) = 0. \quad (\text{C.1})$$

Thus, the streaming term is given by

$$\begin{aligned} e^{iLt} P i L_0 \delta\sigma(\mathbf{x}) &= e^{iLt} \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} P \frac{d}{dt} \delta\sigma_0(\mathbf{x}, t) \\ &= e^{iLt} \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \int d^3\mathbf{x}' d^3\mathbf{x}'' \frac{d}{dt} \chi_t(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}') \chi_0^{-1}(\mathbf{x}' - \mathbf{x}'') \delta\sigma(\mathbf{x}''), \end{aligned} \quad (\text{C.2})$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \chi_{t-t'}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}') &= (\delta\sigma_0(\mathbf{x}, t), \delta\sigma_0(\mathbf{x}', t')) \\ &= \int_0^\beta \frac{d\lambda}{\beta} \{ \bar{q}_0^\alpha(\mathbf{x}, t - i\lambda) q_\beta^\beta(\mathbf{x}', t') \bar{q}_0^\alpha(\mathbf{x}, t - i\lambda) \bar{q}_\beta^\beta(\mathbf{x}', t') \} \\ &= \frac{N_c N_f}{\beta V^2} \sum_{\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{p}'} \{ (\sin^2 \theta_{p'}^+ - \sin^2 \theta_p^+) \frac{p \cdot p' + M^2}{E_p E_{p'} (E_p - E_{p'})} e^{i(E_p - E_{p'})(t-t')} e^{-i(p-p')(x-x')} \\ &\quad + (\sin^2 \theta_p^- - \sin^2 \theta_{p'}^-) \frac{-p \cdot p' - M^2}{E_p E_{p'} (E_p - E_{p'})} e^{-i(E_p - E_{p'})(t-t')} e^{i(p-p')(x-x')} \\ &\quad + (1 - \sin^2 \theta_p^+ - \sin^2 \theta_{p'}^-) \frac{p \cdot p' - M^2}{E_p E_{p'} (E_p + E_{p'})} \\ &\quad \times (e^{i(E_p + E_{p'})(t-t')} + e^{-i(E_p + E_{p'})(t-t')}) e^{-i(\mathbf{p} + \mathbf{p}')(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}')} \}, \end{aligned} \quad (\text{C.3})$$

and

$$\int d^3\mathbf{x}' \chi_0(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}') \chi_0^{-1}(\mathbf{x}' - \mathbf{x}'') = \delta^{(3)}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}''). \quad (\text{C.4})$$

Here, we used the contraction defined in Appendix D. Substituting the above expression into Eq. (C.2), it is easy to show that

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{d}{dt} \chi_t(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}') = 0. \quad (\text{C.5})$$

Thus, the contribution from the streaming term vanishes.

D Contraction of fermion field at finite temperature and density

In this Appendix, we introduce the contraction of the fermion field. This is convenient to implement the calculation with projection operator and we can regard it as a correspondence of the propagator in the usual finite temperature field theory [45].

First, we introduce the Bogoliubov transformation through which the new pairs of creation and annihilation operators are defined [74]:

$$b_{\mathbf{k},s} = \cos \theta_k^+ B_{\mathbf{k},s} + i \sin \theta_k^+ \tilde{B}_{\mathbf{k},s}^\dagger, \quad (\text{D.1})$$

$$d_{\mathbf{k},s} = \cos \theta_k^- D_{\mathbf{k},s} + i \sin \theta_k^- \tilde{D}_{\mathbf{k},s}^\dagger, \quad (\text{D.2})$$

where

$$\sin^2 \theta_{\mathbf{k}}^\pm = (e^{\beta \epsilon_k^\mp} + 1)^{-1} \equiv n^\pm(E_k), \quad (\text{D.3})$$

and

$$\epsilon_k^\pm = \sqrt{k^2 + M^2} \pm \mu \equiv E_k \pm \mu. \quad (\text{D.4})$$

Here, M is the mass of the fermion. The above operators satisfy the commutation relation

$$[B_{\mathbf{k},s}, B_{\mathbf{k}',s'}^\dagger]_+ = [\tilde{B}_{\mathbf{k},s}, \tilde{B}_{\mathbf{k}',s'}^\dagger]_+ = \delta_{s,s'} \delta_{\mathbf{k},\mathbf{k}'}^{(3)}, \quad (\text{D.5})$$

$$[D_{\mathbf{k},s}, D_{\mathbf{k}',s'}^\dagger]_+ = [\tilde{D}_{\mathbf{k},s}, \tilde{D}_{\mathbf{k}',s'}^\dagger]_+ = \delta_{s,s'} \delta_{\mathbf{k},\mathbf{k}'}^{(3)}. \quad (\text{D.6})$$

All the other commutators vanish. Now, we can define the thermal vacuum $|\theta\rangle$ as

$$B_{\mathbf{k},s}|\theta\rangle = \tilde{B}_{\mathbf{k},s}|\theta\rangle = D_{\mathbf{k},s}|\theta\rangle = \tilde{D}_{\mathbf{k},s}|\theta\rangle = 0. \quad (\text{D.7})$$

Then, we can express the statistical average in terms of the vacuum expectation value:

$$\text{Tr}[\rho_{eq} O] = \langle \theta | O | \theta \rangle, \quad (\text{D.8})$$

where ρ_{eq} is a density matrix of a thermal equilibrium state. Thus, we can use Wick's theorem that simplifies the calculation of the correlation function. Wick's theorem tells us that arbitrary correlation functions are expressed as

the sum of all possible products of contractions. In our calculation, contractions are given by

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{q_0(\mathbf{x}, t) \bar{q}_0(\mathbf{x}', t')}{V} \\ &= \frac{1}{V} \sum_{\mathbf{p}} \left\{ \cos^2 \theta_p^+ \frac{p' + M}{2E_p} e^{i\mathbf{p}(\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{x}')} e^{-i\epsilon_p^-(t-t')} + \sin^2 \theta_p^- \frac{p' - M}{2E_p} e^{-i\mathbf{p}(\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{x}')} e^{i\epsilon_p^+(t-t')} \right\}, \end{aligned} \quad (\text{D.9})$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{\bar{q}_0(\mathbf{x}', t') q_0(\mathbf{x}, t)}{V} \\ &= \frac{1}{V} \sum_{\mathbf{p}} \left\{ \sin^2 \theta_p^+ \left(\frac{p' + M}{2E_p} \right)^T e^{i\mathbf{p}(\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{x}')} e^{-i\epsilon_p^-(t-t')} + \cos^2 \theta_p^- \left(\frac{p' - M}{2E_p} \right)^T e^{-i\mathbf{p}(\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{x}')} e^{i\epsilon_p^+(t-t')} \right\}. \end{aligned} \quad (\text{D.10})$$

E Brownian motion in harmonic potential

As an exact solvable example, let us consider the one-dimensional classical system where a heavy particle with the mass M interacts with heat bath composed of many harmonic oscillators [75]. The Hamiltonian of the total system is

$$H = \frac{p^2}{2M} + \frac{M\omega_0^2}{2}x^2 + \sum_i \left[\frac{p_i^2}{2} + \frac{\omega_i^2}{2} \left(x_i - \frac{\gamma_i}{\omega_i^2} x \right)^2 \right]. \quad (\text{E.1})$$

The Newton equations of this system are given by

$$\dot{x} = \frac{p}{M}, \quad \dot{p} = -M\omega_0^2 x + \sum_i \gamma_i \left(x_i - \frac{\gamma_i}{\omega_i^2} x \right), \quad (\text{E.2})$$

$$\dot{x}_j = p_j, \quad \dot{p}_j = -\omega_j^2 \left(x_j - \frac{\gamma_j}{\omega_j^2} x \right). \quad (\text{E.3})$$

The mass of the particle M is large and the coordinate x and the momentum p change slowly in comparison with p_i and x_i . In this case, it is natural to choose p and x as gross variables of this system. Then, the Mori projection operator is defined by

$$\begin{aligned} PG &= (G, x)(x, x)^{-1}x + (G, p)(p, p)^{-1}p \\ &= \beta M \omega_0^2 x (G, x) + \frac{p\beta}{M} (G, p). \end{aligned} \quad (\text{E.4})$$

The inner product is given by the canonical correlation for the classical variables,

$$(X, Y) = \int_0^\beta \frac{d\lambda}{\beta} \text{Tr}[\rho e^{\lambda H} X e^{-\lambda H} Y] = \text{Tr}[\rho XY] \equiv \langle XY \rangle, \quad (\text{E.5})$$

where $\rho = e^{-\beta H} / \text{Tr}[e^{-\beta H}]$. Then, we have the following correlations:

$$(p, p) = M/\beta, \quad (\text{E.6})$$

$$(\dot{p}, x) = -(p, \dot{x}) = -(p, p)/M, \quad (\text{E.7})$$

$$((x_i - \gamma_i x / \omega_i^2), x) = (p, x) = 0, \quad (\text{E.8})$$

$$(x, x) = (M\omega_0^2\beta)^{-1}. \quad (\text{E.9})$$

When we substitute the Mori projection operator into the TC equation and set $O(0) = x(0)$ and $p(0)$, we have the following Langevin equation

$$\frac{d}{dt}x(t) = \frac{p(t)}{M}, \quad (\text{E.10})$$

$$\frac{d}{dt}p(t) = -M\omega_0^2 x(t) - \int_0^t ds \Xi(t-s)p(s) + f(t), \quad (\text{E.11})$$

where

$$\Xi(t) = \frac{1}{M} \sum_{j=1}^N \frac{\gamma_j}{\omega_j^2} \cos \omega_j t, \quad (\text{E.12})$$

$$f(t) = \sum_{j=1}^N \gamma_j [\cos \omega_j t (x_i(0) - \frac{\gamma_j}{\omega_j^2} x(0)) + \frac{\sin \omega_j t}{\omega_j} p_j(0)]. \quad (\text{E.13})$$

We assume that the frequency of the oscillations distribute continuously

$$g(\omega) = \begin{cases} \frac{\omega^2}{\omega_d^3}, & \omega < \omega_d \\ 0 & \omega > \omega_d, \end{cases} \quad (\text{E.14})$$

where ω_d is a cutoff. Then, the memory function is given by

$$\begin{aligned} \Xi(t) &= \frac{1}{M} \int_0^{\omega_d} d\omega \frac{\gamma}{\omega_d^3} \cos \omega t \\ &= 2\Xi_0 \frac{\sin \omega_d t}{\pi t}, \end{aligned} \quad (\text{E.15})$$

where $\Xi_0 = \frac{\pi\gamma^2}{2\omega_d^3 M}$.

When we are interested in the motion with a macroscopic time scale larger than $2\pi/\omega_d$, the memory function is approximated by

$$\Xi(t) \approx 2\Xi_0\delta(t). \quad (\text{E.16})$$

Finally, the Langevin equation is give by

$$\frac{d}{dt}x(t) = \frac{p(t)}{M}, \quad (\text{E.17})$$

$$\frac{d}{dt}p(t) = -M\omega_0^2 x(t) - \Xi_0 p(t) + f(t), \quad (\text{E.18})$$

where the noise has the following correlation properties;

$$\langle f(t) \rangle = 0, \quad (\text{E.19})$$

$$\langle f(t)f(t') \rangle = \frac{2M}{\beta} \Xi_0 \delta(t - t'). \quad (\text{E.20})$$

In order to see that the behavior of the memory function strongly depends on the choice of the projection operator, we derive the Langevin equation with the incomplete Mori projection defined by using one gross variable,

$$PG = (G, p)(p, p)^{-1}p = \frac{p\beta}{M}(G, p). \quad (\text{E.21})$$

Then, we have the Langevin equation with one gross variable p ,

$$\frac{d}{dt}p(t) = - \int_0^t ds \Xi'(t-s)p(s) + f'(t), \quad (\text{E.22})$$

where

$$\Xi'(t) = \omega_0^2 + \Xi(t), \quad (\text{E.23})$$

$$f'(t) = -M\omega_0^2 x(0) + f(t). \quad (\text{E.24})$$

It is clear that $\Xi'(t)$ converges to ω_0^2 at $t \rightarrow \infty$, although $\Xi(t)$ vanishes. Namely, the behavior of the memory function depends on the definition of the Mori projection and we must choose the complete set of the gross variables to derive the memory function without the long time correlation.

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